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PREFACE

The Legislative Assembly Estimates present to the Legislative Assembly expenditure proposals for the 1990-91 fiscal year. The Legislative Assembly will be asked to appropriate sums from the General Revenue Fund to each vote under section 2 of the Appropriation Act, 1990. Also to be appropriated under section 1 of the Appropriation Act, 1990 are Supplementary Estimates for 1989-90.

For the information of the Legislative Assembly, details of each vote are provided at the element level and by object and type of expenditure.

SYMBOLS

The following symbols are used throughout this publication:

. . . figures not appropriate or not applicable

- - amount too small (large) to be expressed

— nil or zero.

1990-91 Details of Legislative Assembly Estimates

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The Legislative Assembly is the parliament of Alberta, consisting of members who are elected by the people of Alberta. Through them Albertans make provincial laws and provide money needed by the government for the present and future good of the people of the province. In keeping with the time-honoured tradition of parliamentary self-government, the Lieutenant Governor gives assent to the laws so made by Albertans.

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY OF VOTED EXPENDITURE

VOTE		1990-91 Estimates	Change from Comparable 1989-90 Estimates	Comparable 1989-90 Estimates	Comparable 1988-89 Actual
		$	%	$	$
1	Support to the Legislative Assembly	**20,827,781**	12.5	18,507,505	16,638,030
2	Office of the Auditor General	**11,260,563**	2.8	10,948,811	9,800,367
3	Office of the Ombudsman	**1,228,900**	11.0	1,107,490	1,150,186
4	Office of the Chief Electoral Officer	**616,905**	(85.5)	4,262,250	7,066,109
	Amount to be voted	**33,934,149**	(2.6)	34,826,056	34,654,692

SUMMARY BY OBJECT AND TYPE OF EXPENDITURE
TOTAL LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

	1990-91 Estimates	Change from Comparable 1989-90 Estimates	Comparable 1989-90 Estimates
	$	%	$
Object of Expenditure			
Salaries, Wages and Employee Benefits	**15,713,014**	15.7	13,583,330
Supplies and Services	**10,319,699**	(30.2)	14,780,197
Grants	**3,200**	(60.0)	8,000
Purchase of Fixed Assets	**789,122**	40.2	562,770
Payments to Members of the Legislative Assembly	**7,109,114**	29.7	5,481,759
Re-establishment Allowance for Former Members of the Legislative Assembly	**—**	(100.0)	410,000
	33,934,149	(2.6)	34,826,056
Type of Expenditure			
Operating	**33,145,027**	(3.3)	34,263,286
Capital	**789,122**	40.2	562,770
	33,934,149	(2.6)	34,826,056

SUMMARY OF MANPOWER AUTHORIZATION
TOTAL LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Full-Time Equivalent Employment	**409.8**	9.9	372.8
Permanent Full-Time Positions	**256**	—	256

SUPPORT TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

AUTHORITY:

Legislative Assembly Act.

Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta.

Resolutions of the Assembly.

OBJECTIVE:

To provide for the necessary administrative and financial support to the Legislative Assembly of Alberta.

SERVICES PROVIDED:

Provides all services required for the operation of the Legislative Assembly including committees.

Provides for publication of Alberta Hansard.

Provides a library service to the Legislature, Public Service and general public.

Provides special research services.

Provides for expenses incurred in connection with the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association.

Provides for payment of mailing, telephone and other communication expenses for Members of the Legislative Assembly.

Provides for expenses for Members' Constituency Offices.

Provides for payment of indemnities, committee allowances, expense allowances and living expenses to Members of the Legislative Assembly as authorized by the Legislative Assembly Act.

Provides for payment of pension premiums, disability benefits and health insurance premiums and benefits for Members of the Legislative Assembly.

Provides for transportation expenses of Members of the Legislative Assembly.

Provides for payment of re-establishment allowances to former members of the Legislative Assembly.

VOTE 1 — SUPPORT TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Summary by Element

Reference Number	Element	1990-91 Estimates	Change from Comparable 1989-90 Estimates	Comparable 1989-90 Estimates	Comparable 1988-89 Actual
		$	%	$	$
1.0.1	Administration	533,157	2.8	518,387	498,770
1.0.2	House Services	1,217,849	2.7	1,185,311	1,000,544
1.0.3	MLA Administration	13,869,076	14.4	12,126,822	10,604,881
1.0.4	Speaker and Deputy Speaker—Office Services	336,626	11.6	301,718	273,965
1.0.5	Government Members' Services	1,283,400	15.0	1,116,000	1,108,750
1.0.6	Official Opposition Services	933,232	9.1	855,410	799,018
1.0.7	Liberal Party Services	525,658	17.1	448,880	320,625
1.0.8	Representative Party Services	—	—	—	209,242
1.0.9	Legislature Committees	454,140	93.3	234,967	151,614
1.0.10	Legislative Interns	94,014	0.1	93,893	86,939
1.0.11	Hansard	697,266	(2.6)	715,729	685,892
1.0.12	Legislature Library	883,363	(3.0)	910,388	897,790
	Amount to be voted	**20,827,781**	12.5	18,507,505	16,638,030

Summary by Object and Type of Expenditure

Object of Expenditure			
Salaries, Wages and Employee Benefits	6,163,438	38.7	4,443,569
Supplies and Services	7,002,199	(9.8)	7,761,522
Grants	3,200	(60.0)	8,000
Purchase of Fixed Assets	549,830	36.6	402,655
Payments to Members of the Legislative Assembly	7,109,114	29.7	5,481,759
Re-establishment Allowance for Former Members of the Legislative Assembly	—	(100.0)	410,000
	20,827,781	12.5	18,507,505
Type of Expenditure			
Operating	20,277,951	12.0	18,104,850
Capital	549,830	36.6	402,655
	20,827,781	12.5	18,507,505

Summary of Manpower Authorization

Full-Time Equivalent Employment	209.0	23.3	169.5
Permanent Full-Time Positions	47	—	47

OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

AUTHORITY:

Auditor General Act.

OBJECTIVE:

To conduct professional, independent audits and express opinions as required by section 18 of the Auditor General Act and other statutes, on the financial statements of the Crown including departments, regulated funds, revolving funds, provincial agencies and other organizations or bodies of which the Auditor General is auditor. After the end of the fiscal year of the Crown, to report to the Legislative Assembly on the work of the Office of the Auditor General, and on matters which were observed during the course of that work, as required by section 19 of the Auditor General Act. To undertake special auditing or investigative assignments as may be specified by the Legislative Assembly and also, under certain conditions, as specified by the Executive Council.

VOTE 2 — OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

Summary by Element

Reference Number	Element	1990-91 Estimates	Change from Comparable 1989-90 Estimates	Comparable 1989-90 Estimates	Comparable 1988-89 Actual
		$	%	$	$
2.0.1	Office of the Auditor General	**11,260,563**	2.8	10,948,811	9,800,367
	Amount to be voted	**11,260,563**	2.8	10,948,811	9,800,367

Summary by Object and Type of Expenditure

Object of Expenditure				
	Salaries, Wages and Employee Benefits	**8,129,821**	3.2	7,874,146
	Supplies and Services	**2,892,950**	(1.2)	2,927,050
	Grants	**—**	—	—
	Purchase of Fixed Assets	**237,792**	61.1	147,615
		11,260,563	2.8	10,948,811
Type of Expenditure				
	Operating	**11,022,771**	2.1	10,801,196
	Capital	**237,792**	61.1	147,615
		11,260,563	2.8	10,948,811

Summary of Manpower Authorization

Full-Time Equivalent Employment	**172.0**	(1.1)	174.0
Permanent Full-Time Positions	**181**	—	181

OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN

AUTHORITY:

Ombudsman Act.

OBJECTIVE:

To provide an impartial investigation on behalf of any person who feels he has suffered an injustice through the actions of departments, agencies or officials of the Government of Alberta, and to recommend corrective action if the complaint is justified.

SERVICES PROVIDED:

Investigation of complaints concerning the actions of departments, agencies or officials of the Government of Alberta, at no cost to the individual requesting this service. Disposition of complaints by explaining action of Government to the complainant, if the complaint is not justified, or by recommendation for corrective action if the complaint is supported.

VOTE 3 — OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN

Summary by Element

Reference Number	Element	1990-91 Estimates	Change from Comparable 1989-90 Estimates	Comparable 1989-90 Estimates	Comparable 1988-89 Actual
		$	%	$	$
3.0.1	Edmonton Office	**959,200**	8.4	885,030	1,000,878
3.0.2	Calgary Office	**269,700**	21.2	222,460	149,308
	Amount to be voted	**1,228,900**	11.0	1,107,490	1,150,186

Summary by Object and Type of Expenditure

Object of Expenditure			
Salaries, Wages and Employee Benefits	**998,400**	12.7	885,590
Supplies and Services	**230,500**	6.3	216,900
Grants	—	—	—
Purchase of Fixed Assets	—	(100.0)	5,000
	1,228,900	11.0	1,107,490
Type of Expenditure			
Operating	**1,228,900**	11.5	1,102,490
Capital	—	(100.0)	5,000
	1,228,900	11.0	1,107,490

Summary of Manpower Authorization

Full-Time Equivalent Employment	**20.3**	—	20.3
Permanent Full-Time Positions	**20**	—	20

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER

AUTHORITY:

Election Act.

Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act.

Senatorial Selection Act.

Electoral Boundaries Commission Act.

Electoral Divisions Act.

OBJECTIVE:

To provide administrative, logistic and financial support for general and special enumerations, general elections and by-elections, senatorial elections and plebiscites in support of the Election Act and the Senatorial Selection Act and to the Electoral Boundaries Commission. To monitor and record the financial activities of registered parties, constituency associations and candidates to ensure compliance with the Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act.

SERVICES PROVIDED:

Provides for enumerations, elections, by-elections and plebiscites and for communication and liaison with the executive of registered parties, constituency associations, and candidates and their campaign officials, pertaining to the established policies and procedures of the relevant acts.

The Chief Electoral Officer is a member of the Electoral Boundaries Commission.

VOTE 4 — OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER

Summary by Element

Reference Number	Element	1990-91 Estimates	Change from Comparable 1989-90 Estimates	Comparable 1989-90 Estimates	Comparable 1988-89 Actual
		$	%	$	$
4.0.1	Administrative Support	**458,855**	12.9	406,580	400,395
4.0.2	Elections	**2,000**	(97.3)	75,000	3,513,650
4.0.3	Enumerations	**156,050**	(95.9)	3,780,670	3,152,064
	Amount to be voted	**616,905**	(85.5)	4,262,250	7,066,109

Summary by Object and Type of Expenditure

Object of Expenditure				
	Salaries, Wages and Employee Benefits	**421,355**	10.9	380,025
	Supplies and Services	**194,050**	(95.0)	3,874,725
	Grants	**—**	—	—
	Purchase of Fixed Assets	**1,500**	(80.0)	7,500
		616,905	(85.5)	4,262,250
Type of Expenditure				
	Operating	**615,405**	(85.5)	4,254,750
	Capital	**1,500**	(80.0)	7,500
		616,905	(85.5)	4,262,250

Summary of Manpower Authorization

Full-Time Equivalent Employment	**8.5**	(5.6)	9.0
Permanent Full-Time Positions	**8**	—	8

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE OF THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1990

VOTE / DESCRIPTION OF SPECIAL WARRANT	Amount $
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY	
In accordance with section 21 of the Legislative Assembly Act.	
1 SUPPORT TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY	
To provide funds to meet obligations arising from new Members' Services Committee Orders associated with members' indemnity and allowances, committee fees and allowances and the establishment of a Select Special Committee on Electoral Boundaries and a Select Special Ombudsman Search Committee.	2,213,752
TOTAL VOTE 1	2,213,752
In accordance with section 10.1 of the Ombudsman Act.	
3 OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN	
To provide funds for the Ombudsman's investigation of provincial regulatory processes and their administration, as they relate to the financial collapse of the Principal Group of Companies.	167,000
TOTAL VOTE 3	167,000
Amount to be voted under section 1 of the Appropriation Act, 1990 (Legislative Assembly Estimates)	2,380,752

SUMMARY OF AMOUNTS TO BE VOTED
ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE
For the fiscal year ending March 31, 1991

Vote		Estimates
	LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY	
1	Support to the Legislative Assembly	$ 20,827,781
2	Office of the Auditor General	11,260,563
3	Office of the Ombudsman	1,228,900
4	Office of the Chief Electoral Officer	616,905
	Amount to be voted under section 2 of the Appropriation Act, 1990 (Legislative Assembly Estimates)	$ 33,934,149